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SUBJECT: DRAFT AGREEMENT- SORTIE LAB PROJECT

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1. DRAFT AGREEMENT PROVIDED IN REFTEL HANDED TO VAN EESBECK, BELGIAN ESRO REP, AFTERNOON APRIL 2. VAN EESBECK SAID HE HAD BEEN EXPECTING DRAFT WHICH HE WILL STUDY IN ADVANCE APRIL 3 ESRO MEETING IN PARIS.

2. VAN EESBECK CONFIRMED THAT GOB UNDERSTANDING OF PROCEDURE UNDER ARTICLE 10 OF ESRO AGREEMENT IDENTICAL WITH THAT OF USG CONTAINED IN PARA 2 REFTEL.

3. VAN EESBECK NOTED THAT CONTENT PARA 3 APPEARED TO BE CHANGE IN USG POSITION WHICH HERETOFORE HAD INSISTED ON COMBINED EUROPEAN-US CONSULTATIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS. HE FELT NEW PROCEDURE OF DIRECT EXCHANGE OF GOVERNMENTAL VIEWS CONTAINED " RISK OF DIFFERENT CLAUSES" IN VARIOUS DRAFT AGREEMENTS AS RESULT OF " INDEPENDENT REACTIONS" RATHER THAN COMMON ESRO POSITION. HE WONDERED WHETHER OR NOT APPARENT USG CHANGE IN RESPECT TO EXCHANGE OF DIRECT BILATERAL GOVERNMENTAL VIEWS MIGHT NOT

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RESULT IN PSLIT UP OF ESRO.

4. VAN EESBECK ALSO EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT USG TACTICS,
WHICH INCLUDED SUBMISSION OF DRAFT AGREEMENT BEFORE EUROPEANS
COULD PREPARE THEIR OWN DRAFT, WAS NOT INTENDED TO DIRECT
UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS TOWARDS RELATIVELY
NARROW
PERSPECTIVE OF CONCLUDING A STRICTLY HARDWARE AGREEMENT RATHER
THAN MORE OPEN- ENDED AGREEMENT INTENDED TO PRODUCE GROWING
RELATIONSHIP.
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